Sri N. CHIKKE GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture and Animal Husbandry).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The assistance to fishermen covers subsidy on nylon fishing net twine and subsidy on fishing canoes/boats.

(*c*) Rs. 95,204-90 towards the purchase of nylon twine. Rs. 40,862-50 towards purchase/construction of wooden canoes/boats. Total—Rs. 1,36,067-40.

PLYING OF LUXURY AND SEMI-LUXURY BUSES TO ALL DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS.

531. Sri BAPURAO ANANDRAO (Basavakalyan).—

Will the Minister for Transport and Housing be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal before Government to run luxury and semi-luxury buses to all the District Headquarters;

(*b*) if so, the stage at which the proposal to run semi-luxury buses to Bidar District Headquarter is pending?

Sri K. H. RANGANATH (Minister for Transport and Housing).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of the reply to clause (*a*) of the question.

COMPENSATION FOR LAND ACQUIRED TO ESTABLISH CAUSTIC SODA PROJECT AT BINAGA.

721. Smt. RADHA M. BHATT (Ankola).—

Will the Minister for Industries and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that lands have been acquired for establishing Caustic Soda Project at Binaga in Karwar;

(*b*) whether the owners of these lands have been provided with alternate sites and whether compensation has been paid in respect of the lands acquired;

(*c*) if not, the reasons for the delay?